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For: CARD PROCESSOR

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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated March 23, 2004, there is no indication that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 25, 2004 has been considered. Applicant respectfully requests that the receipt and consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) be formally acknowledged at the earliest possible convenience. For convenience, attached hereto is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO SB/08 and the corresponding postcard receipt with date-stamp showing the date of filing of the above listed Information Disclosure Statement.

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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant hereby makes of record the following. A PTO Form SB/08 and a copy of each of these documents accompany this statement.

Applicant has become aware of the following documents, cited in an International Search Report issued February 3, 2004, during the prosecution of International Application No. EP 03 02 2123, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submits these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the International Search Report and each document cited thereon are enclosed as well.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that each item contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Furthermore, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.704(d), Applicant notes that to his knowledge this communication was not received by any individual designated in 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of this statement.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. O3020.0354/P354. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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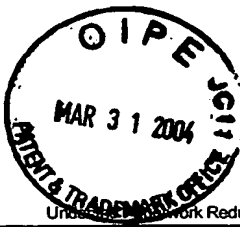
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